symptom of social maladjustment quite similar to that to be found in the farming districts of the United States.

It has been positively asserted that the *SakdaUstas* are communists and trouble-makers. The leaders of the movement as positively have denied the charge. The revolt of the *SakdaUstas* shortly after May Day in 1935, with its tragic outcome, constitutes indisputable proof of the treasonable purposes of the organization. Possibly the group can be classified as ultra-socialistic in its purposes. The *Sakdalist* platform [8] is still in a nebulous state. As far as can be learned, the organization advocates immediate independence, not the independence of the Tydings-McDufEe Law 5 abolition of the cedula tax and revision of land taxes 5 reduction of salaries of highly paid officials; formation of a Filipino army of 500,000 men, and the teaching of the dialects in the schools and their use in the courts.

It was inevitable that the Philippine Islands have a radical party. That role was formerly played by the *Nacionalista* Party. Now as the *Nacionalista* Party embarks upon a program of economic planning, it will be on the defensive. I look for *Sakdalism* to spread, or for some other radically inclined group to take up the burden of the popular song. Let us hope that the growth of radicalism in the Philippines stops this side of Communism.

[8] In a petition addressed to the Governor-General, dated April 29, 1935, the *SakdaUstas* of Tayabas set forth their purposes as follows: "We have severely criticized the administration of our government? we have denounced abuses committed by public servants; we have pointed out the appalling[1] wastefulness in the disposition of the money collected from the taxpayers; we have con-

demned the light taxation of the properties of the rich and politically powerful, and the comparatively heavy taxation of property of the poor; we have pointed out that we are being fooled with such preachings as immediate, complete, and absolute independence*; we have denounced that our government officials are being unduly influenced by moneyed interests to the detriment of human rights; we have called attention to the fact that many of our public officers are growing richer and richer every day without being able to explain where so much money is coming from."